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SUBJ: GRENADA INDEPENDENCE SCHEDULE

### SUMMARY

BRITISH AND CANADIAN INDEPENDENCE DELEGATIONS PLANNING TO ARRIVE GRENADA FEB 6. AMBASSADOR SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE FEB 5. INFORMATION CONCERNING OTHER THIRD COUNTRIES' ATTENDANCE. CANADIAN NAVY'S PLANS. END SUMMARY.

1. AMBASSADOR MET WITH BRITISH AND CANADIAN HIGH COMMISSIONERS MORNING FEB 4 TO DISCUSS GRENADA INDEPENDENCE CELEBRATIONS PROGRAM. BRITISH MINISTER AND DELEGATION ARE SCHEDULED ARRIVE ST GEORGE'S AFTERNOON FEB 6, DEPARTING AFTERNOON FEB 7. BRITISH CONFIRMED ITINERARY OF HMS BACCHANTE AS DESCRIBED IN SNOW'S P 032304Z FEB.

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2. CANADIAN DELEGATION, WHICH WILL CONSIST OF CANADIAN HIGH

COMMISSIONER AND HIS DEPUTY, IS NOW PLANNING ARRIVE ST GEORGE'S EMBARKING IN HMCS ANNAPOLIS MORNING FEB 6 IN TIME FOR OFFICIAL LUNCHEON SCHEDULED FOR 1230, DEPARTING LATE FEB 7 FOR BARBADOS.

3. AMBASSADOR PLANS TO ADHERE TO HER ORIGINAL SCHEDULE DEPARTING BARBADOS BY CHARTER AIRCRAFT AT 1400 HOURS FEB 5 ARRIVING IN TIME FOR STATE DINNER THAT EVENING. SHE PLANS DEPART GRENADA FEB 7 AT 1500 HOURS BY CHARTER TO BARBADOS.

4. CANADIANS REPORT THAT GERMAN AND DUTCH AMBASSADORS AND JAMAICAN AND INDIAN HIGH COMMISSIONERS IN PORT OF SPAIN PLAN TO ARRIVE GRENADA MORNING FEB 6, PRESUMABLY BY LIAT. ACCORDING TO PRESS GUYANA WILL BE REPRESENTED BY MINISTER OF WORKS AND COMMUNICATIONS DESMOND HOYT AND WIFE, AND ST VINCENT WILL BE REPRESENTED BY DEPUTY PREMIER EMENEZER JOSHUA AND WIFE.

5. CANADIAN NAVAL DESTROYER SQUADRON COMMANDER, CAPTAIN A.C. MCMILLAN, ACCOMPANIED BY LCDR VAN DER VEER USN, WHO IS ASSIGNED TO MCMILLAN'S STAFF, BRIEFED EMBOFFS FEB 3 CONCERNING CANADIAN NAVY'S PLANS WITH REGARD TO GRENADA. UPON ARRIVAL AT ST GEORGE'S HARBOR, HMCS ANNAPOLIS (DDH), WHICH ARRIVED BRIDGETOWN FEB 2 AND IN WHICH MCMILLAN IS EMBARKED, WILL BERTH AT JETTY. WHILE THERE, MCMILLAN AGREED PERMIT US DELEGATION UTILIZE VOICE RADIO CIRCUIT FROM SHIP TO EMBASSY BRIDGETOWN IF NEEDED FOR RAPID COMMUNICATIONS. MCMILLAN REVEALED THAT ANOTHER DDH, HMCS ASSINIBOINE, WILL BE IN ST VINCENT THIS WEEK AND AVAILABLE FOR E&E IF NECESSARY. HE SAID BOTH SHIPS CAN EVACUATE 200-250 PERSONS COMFORTABLY AND MORE IF NECESSARY. EACH SHIP CARRIES FH3A SEA KING HELICOPTER EQUIPPED WITH RESCUE HOISTS AND ABLE TO LIFT 8-10 PASSENGERS. WHEN BOTH SHIPS LEAVE THIS AREA AFTER GRENADA'S INDEPENDENCE, THEY WILL BE REPLACED BY TWO OTHER SHIPS, NIPIGON AND SAGUNAY. MCMILLAN EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR BRIEFING BY CAPTAIN FINLAY AT COMCARIBSEAFRON.  
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